HYDRA

chapter 05

AAH, BACK TO NORMAL CLASSES AGAIN TOMOR-ROW.

TWO MORE MONTHS OF PERSEVERIN' BEFORE WE GRADUATE ...

LET'S GO TO THE SEASHORE OR SOMETHING!

WHERE IS THERE A SEA-SHORE?

2-player battle mode

WHAT SEASHORE?

COME ON! WHERE'S YOUR SENSE OF YOUTH!?

HUH? WHY NOT?

WHEN I WAS LITTLE, I CAME CLOSE TO DROWNIN' AT NANKO BEACH.

I DON'T LIKE THE SEA.

Oh, an enemy!

click clack

IF YOU CARRY ON LIKE THAT YOUR ASSES ARE GOING TO GROW ROOTS!

DAY IN AND DAY OUT, YOU DO NOTHING BUT PLAY GAMES!

...

...

MY WHOLE LIFE FLASHED BEFORE MY EYES.

WHAT HAP-PENED, WHAT HAPPENED?

NOW THAT SOUNDS LIKE A WAY MORE ENTERTAININ' STORY!

SHUT UP AND LEAVE ME ALONE!

WE BROKE UP.

EEH!?

THEN HOW ABOUT GIRLS? WE CAN GO PICK SOME UP IN SHIBUYA!

I DON'T WANT TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR CHILDHOOD TRAUMA!

GRRR

...I THOUGHT YOU HAD A GIRL?

...

LET'S GO! RIGHT NOW!

Let's take a frisbee or ball or something along!!

STOMP STOMP

Was dumped →

mutter mutter

Rip

IF YOU WANT TO GO SOMEWHERE THAT BADLY, WHY DON'T WE JUST WANDER DOWN TO TAMAGAWA RIVER?

15 minutes on foot.

MAN, WHY AM I HANGING OUT WITH THE MORON TWINS...

WHAT WAS?

THE PLACE WHERE SATOU FELL.

IT WAS PROBABLY SOMEWHERE AROUND HERE.

...HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT?

...

...

IT WAS BOTHERIN' ME, SO I LOOKED INTO IT

BY ASKIN' THE TEACHERS AND STUFF.

YOU KNOW,

THE TRUTH IS, SHE DIDN'T JUST LOSE HER FOOTING...

I KNOW.

...RYUU.

HM?

I DID NOTICE THAT MUCH, YEH KNOW.

...

EH?

ESPECIALLY SINCE YEH TWO KEPT ACTIN' WEIRD WHENEVER THAT TOPIC CAME UP...

AND I KNEW THAT SATOU WAS KEEPIN' SOMETHIN' FROM ME TOO...

ITOU DID SOMETHIN' TO HER, RIGHT?

S-
SORRY...

SATOU TOLD US TO KEEP OUR MOUTHS SHUT, SO...

I KNOW.

...

YOU KNOW...

HM?

...

WELL, SHE'S ALREADY GONE OFF TO AMERICA

SO I GUESS IT DOESN'T MATTER ANYMORE.

ABOUT ITOU,

HE CAME TO MY HOUSE THE OTHER DAY.

WHAT!?

DIFFERENT?

HMM... I DON'T KNOW. IT'S LIKE HE'S GONE BACK TO WHAT HE USED TO BE LIKE ...

WHA- WHAT DID HE DO?

DID HE SAY SOMETHING?

NO.

HE SEEMED KINDA DIFFER- ENT, SO...

EH?

Quack

AH, NO.

...IT'S MORE LIKE SOME OF THE BITTERNESS HAS LEFT HIM.

...IN ANY CASE, I DON'T THINK IT'S A BAD CHANGE.

MAYBE BY LEAVING SCHOOL HE WAS ABLE TO BREAK LOSE FROM WHAT- EVER WAS TROUBLING HIM.

DEMONS?

UMM, I'M HAVING SOME TROUBLE FINDING THE RIGHT EXPRES- SION HERE.

...

NO, THAT'S NOT RIGHT EITHER.

IT FEELS LIKE HE'S GOTTEN RID OF SOME OBSES- SION, OR SOME DEMONS THAT WERE PLAGUING HIM...

UTSUMI.

HUH?

HMMM ...

I HOPE YOU'RE RIGHT.

YEAH, ME TOO.

I KNOW YOU HAVE NO REAL REASON TO DO AS I ASK, BUT

I'D REALLY LIKE YOU TO LEAVE HIM BE.

...

YOU KNOW,

I'VE BEEN DOING A LOT OF THINKING SINCE HE CAME TO MY HOUSE.

I STILL DON'T REALLY GET WHY HE HAD TO TURN OUT THIS WAY.

IT MIGHT HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH HIS FAMILY, I DON'T KNOW...

WHEN I SAW HIM AT SCHOOL THE OTHER DAY, HE HAD A REALLY HORRIBLE LOOK ON HIS FACE.

IT'S HARD TO DESCRIBE, BUT IT SURE AS HELL WASN'T NORMAL, Y'KNOW?

WRONG?

UM, HOW CAN I PUT THIS...?

...

BUT, TAIRA... DON'T YOU THINK THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH THAT GUY?

HMM, I DON'T KNOW.

...

BUT I FEEL LIKE HE'S MORE OR LESS HARMLESS AGAIN NOW.

...

ARE YOU SURE HE ISN'T A BIT UNSTABLE, MENTALLY?

HEY, ENOUGH OF THIS. LET'S GO, I'M GETTING COLD.

WANT TO GO WATCH A MOVIE OR SOMETHING?

*T/N: Meigaza old fashioned theatre chain that shows mainly independent and cult classic films.

CAN WE GO TO SANGENJAYA'S MEIGAZA THEATRE*?

...

BUT IF WE GO FROM HERE, THAT MEANS WE HAVE TO WALK ALL THE WAY TO NIKOTAMA...

That's so far...

WHERE'S UTSUMI? STUDYING?

YEAH. THE CENTRE TEST'S NEXT WEEK, SO HE'S STEPPED UP THE PACE.

UUUURGH, SO COLD!

Brrr.

SLAM

...

Quite possibly...

...

D'YOU THINK WE'RE JUST GOING TO GET IN THE WAY OF HIS WORK?

RYUU!

WE'RE GOING OVER TO TAIRA'S PLACE.

Knock Knock

EH?

WANT TO COME TO MY PLACE? IT'S A BIT FAR FROM HERE, THOUGH.

IN THAT CASE, COME OVER TO MINE. IT'S ONLY ONE STATION FROM HERE, SO WE CAN WALK.

OKAY, LET'S DO THAT!

WE SHOULD MAKE OURSELVES SCARCE. WANNA GO SOMEPLACE ELSE?

LIKE WHERE? SOME SHOPS?

ME TOO.

I'M BROKE.

...

TRAITOR?

DID YOU JUST HEAR SOMETHING?

NAH...

OH.

I'VE GOT SOME STUFF TO DO AT TAIRA'S HOUSE.

WHAT'S WRONG? I TOLD YEH I DON'T MIND YEH STAYIN' HERE.

KEEP STUDYING HARD!

pat

...

THAT'S ONE THING WE CAN'T HELP YOU WITH. YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN!

THINK WE'LL GET SOME SNOW?

AH, IT'S FREEZING.

WELL, CUZ LATELY IT'S ALWAYS BEEN THE THREE OF US.

OH?

COULD IT BE THAT YOU'VE BEEN HARBOURING A GRUDGE AGAINST ME FOR THAT?

HM, REALLY?

...IT'S KINDA WEIRD BEING ALONE WITH YOU.

HOW BORING. I ALWAYS WANTED TO HAVE A GAY FR END, SEEMS LIKE IT'D BE A CONSTANT SOURCE OF FUN.

IS THERE REEEAALLY NOTHING BETWEEN YOU GUYS?

YOU JUST DON'T KNOW WHEN TO GIVE UP, DO YOU!?

OH I SEE, SO THAT THING RECENTLY WAS YOUR FIRST KISS WITH A GUY?

AND I GOT IT!

!

...LISTEN,

I TOLD YOU BEFORE, HE AND I AREN'T LIKE THAT.

OH REALLY?

...WHAT DID YOU GO ALL QUIET FOR...?

SO YOU *WERE* LIKE THAT ALL ALONG!

ADMIT IT!

SO TH-TH-THAT MEANS YOU TWO K-KISSED?

...

choke

OWWW!

STOP IT, IDIOT!

ACK!

IT CAN'T BE...

HIKARU! STOP MAKING A RACKET IN FRONT OF THE SHOP.

YOU'RE GOING TO SCARE AWAY THE CUSTOMERS!

...

Urgh

HOMO! HOMO! HOMOOOO!

AGH, SHUT UP, I TOLD YOU IT'S NOT LIKE THAT!

OH,

I DIDN'T NOTICE YOU THERE! WELCOME.

THIS IS HITOM., A FRIEND.

G... GOOD EVENING MA'AM.

SHH, PRETEND YOU DIDN'T SEE HIM!

IS THAT THE VIOLENT DAD OF YOURS?

° Scary

PARDON THE INTRUSION...

Ignore

IS THERE SOME FOOD LEFT OVER FOR US?

THERE'S PLENTY IN THE KITCHEN, JUST HELP YOURSELVES.

We've been so busy.

Yes

I'LL GO FETCH US SOME DINNER.

THERE'S A LOT OF CLUTTER, BUT SIT YOURSELF DOWN WHER-EVER.

Slide

AH, OKAY. Thanks.

HE-HEY, GIMME A HAND HERE!

Clatter

AH, SORRY.

...

HE REALLY IS A STRANGE GUY...

?

?

Squish

FOOD'S ABOUT THE ONLY THING THIS HOUSE DOESN'T LACK.

WOW, THIS IS REALLY GOOD!

SO...

I'VE GOT A SISTER, BUT SHE'S QUITE A BIT OLDER THAN ME, SO SHE'S ALREADY LEFT HOME.

YEAH.

DO YOU HAVE ANY BROTHERS OR SISTERS?

HMM.

SORRY TO DISAPPOINT, BUT IT ONLY HAPPENED ONCE.

...NOT REALLY.

AND THAT WAS ONLY BECAUSE WE WERE DRUNK.

OF COURSE NOT, IT'S WAY TOO INTERESTING A TOPIC.

...SO YOU DIDN'T FORGET ABOUT IT?

YOU GUYS WERE LIKE THAT AFTER ALL, HUH?

...IT'S NOT HIS FACE OR ANYTHING.

UTSUMI'S PRETTY GOOD-LOOKING, SO I WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN SURPRISED IF IT REALLY WAS LIKE THAT BETWEEN YOU.

OH WHAT, THAT OLD STORY?

YEAH, ..

I PEEKED IN ON HIM WHILE HE WAS CHANGING ONCE, AND GOT QUITE A SHOCK.

...HAVE YOU SEEN RYUJI'S BACK?

...

JUST SO BEAUTIFUL ...

IT COMPLETELY TOOK MY BREATH AWAY.

DAZE

...

WHAT?

THAT'S WHAT DID ME IN.

...I CAN'T HELP IT! IT REALLY CAUGHT ME OFF GUARD WHEN I FIRST SAW IT,

A TATTOO OF THAT SCALE!

...

YOUR EYES HAVE GLAZED OVER.

EH, NO WAY, REALLY?

Oh god!

I DON'T KNOW HOW TO EXPLAIN IT .. BUT IT FELT ALMOST OUT OF THIS WORLD...

IT HAD A REALLY STRONG IMPACT ON ME...

I ALWAYS ASSOCIATED THAT KIND OF THING WITH OLD YAKUZA GEEZERS,

BUT SEEING IT ON A MODERN-DAY, YOUNG GUY...

...

WHAT'S MORE, IT DOESN'T SEEM OUT OF PLACE AT ALL...

IT'S JUST SO BEAUTIFUL.

HOW DID WHAT FEEL?

WHEN YOU AND RYUJI KISSED?

WELL, I NEVER SAW LITSUMI LOOKING LIKE IT WAS A BOTHER TO HIM OR ANYTHING.

...SO, HOW DID IT FEEL?

A-HA, I SEE.

SO THAT'S THE REASON YOU'VE BEEN LIVING IN HIS POCKET THEN?

HAHA ...

I GUESS I'VE BEEN SOMEWHAT OF A PEST TO RYUJI...

...

SO THEN WHAT ARE YOU GETTING ALL PRISSY FOR?

AM-AM NOT!

Moron.

THAT DOESN'T MAKE IT ANY BETTER!

ALL I ASKED WAS HOW IT WAS!

BECAUSE YOU'RE ASKING ME WEIRD QUESTIONS!!

...

WHA... IT-IT'S NOT LIKE IT FELT...

LOOK, I DON'T REMEMBER, OKAY!?

...ARE YOU STILL A VIRGIN?

...HITOMI.

HM?

...

MAN, YOU ARE SERIOUSLY NO FUN.

AND JUST WHEN DID I BECOME YOUR PERSONAL ENTERTAINER, HUH!?

Y'KNOW, I'VE NEVER KISSED A GUY BEFORE.

HUH?

STOP IT, YOU BASTARD!

UWAAH!

OH COME ON, JUST LET ME TRY IT OUT!

I TOLD YOU TO STOP IT!

WAH!

!

WHOA WHOA WHOA!

HMM?

OW!

WHERE DID YOU ...

SMIRK

OH GOD, I THINK I SPLIT MY HEAD...

SHIT, NO WAY, LET ME SEE!

AH!

OWWW, THAT HURT.

SORRY, ARE YOU OKAY?

GRAB

WAH!

YO-YOU'RE SUCH A...

IF WE'VE DONE IT ONCE,

!

GRIP

Felt kind of good

...

IT WAS ACTUALLY PRETTY NORMAL, WASN'T IT? NOT THAT DIFFERENT FROM DOING IT WITH A GIRL.

HOW WAS IT?

!!

WE MIGHT AS WELL DO IT AGAIN.

♥ Mm

...'S WITH YOU?

WHAT ARE YOU ALL RIGID FOR?

No fun.

THA-THAT GUY'S GOT SOME NERVE...

...

NH?

...

Slide

PUT YOUR ARMS ROUND.

HERE.

WA-WAIT...

COME ON, ALREADY!

It's for the mood.

IS THIS REALLY "HIS FIRST TIME WITH A GUY?"

WHAT ARE YOU MUTTERING TO YOURSELF?

...

GASP

OW!

YE... YEAH...

BZZ BZZ

ARE... ARE YOU ALRIGHT?

...

WOW, BUT IT WAS REALLY GETTING A BIT DANGEROUS THERE.

IT'S YOUR OWN FAULT FOR STARTING IT!

URGH, OUCH... THIS TIME I REALLY HIT MY HEAD.

...

CLATTER

IF YOU'RE SO BENT ON GOING THERE, THEN GO BY YOURSELF! I'M LEAVING!

BUT YOU'D DO IT FOR UTSUMI?

THE-THERE IS SERIOUSLY SOMETHING WRONG WITH YOU! JUST STOP WITH THE CRAP ONCE AND FOR ALL!

AW, DON'T CRY.

WAAH!

I WON'T LET YOU DRAG ME DOWN THE PATH TO THAT OTHER WORLD!

HEY, YOU WERE ENJOYING IT AS MUCH AS I...

YOU'D GO IF IT WAS WITH UTSUMI.

!

I'M RIGHT, AREN'T I?

...

HITOMI!

BYE.

...

SLAM

I SHOULD AT LEAST HAVE LEFT A KISS MARK ON HIM...

...DAMN.

STEP

STEP

STEP

...

Rub

I'd never even given any thought to that kind of thing before...

Wah, get it out of your head already!

If it was with Ryuu...!?

OH?

?

WHAT, DIDN'T YEH GO OVER TO TAIRA'S PLACE?

Stiff

YO.

...

I WAS JUST THINKIN' ABOUT GOIN' TO BED.

ARE YEH STAYIN' OVER?

UM, YEAH...

YE- YEAH...

BUT, UM...

?

WELL COME ON IN. WE'LL FREEZE IF THE WIND GETS IN HERE.

YER FACE IS BRIGHT RED, ARE YEH SURE YEH DIDN'T CATCH A COLD?

!

Brush

OW!

SlaP

...

DO YEH NEED A SHOWER? THERE'S STILL HOT WATER LEFT.

...AH.

S-SORRY, I DIDN'T MEAN...

sting

THAT HURT... WHAT DID YEH DO THAT FOR ALL OF A SUDDEN?

RY...

RYUU!

HM?

I... I

WI... WITH TA...

FO... FORGET IT, IT'S NOTHING!

???

...YEH'RE ACTIN' STRANGE.

ARE YEH SURE THERE'S NOTHIN' WRONG?

...

HUH?

...

REALLY?

...

IT'S REALLY NOTHING.

...

THUNK

SLAM

...

IN THAT CASE, I'M TURNIN' IN FOR THE NIGHT.

THERE'S A BLANKET ON THE SOFA FOR YEH.

Open

SLUMP

THAT WAS CLOSE...

...

OKAY... GOOD NIGHT.

I was
about to

my mind went
numb to Ryan.

TO BE CONTINUED

POST SCRIPT-HYDRA1+2+3+4

This is the Hydra 1-4 collection. Until now they have only been sold in thin, complicated single volumes, but this time they have been combined into 2 volumes as 1-4 and 5-8. At the time of writing this (December 2003), published stories go up to number 8, but I plan to wrap the story up with number 10. I would be overjoyed if you could continue following the story through to its conclusion.

It's already been 5 years since I started drawing, and my style has changed a little since then. Even now I am continuing to do my very best to draw decent pictures *embarrassed*

Please let me know your thoughts and comments.

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NOTE: Currently Hydra is slated to have 11 total chapters plus assorted side stories

Hydra

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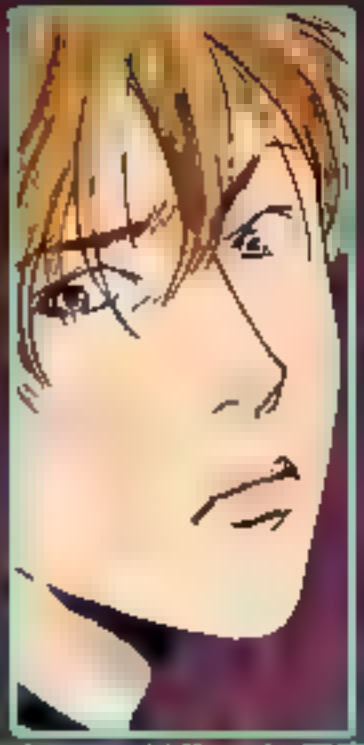

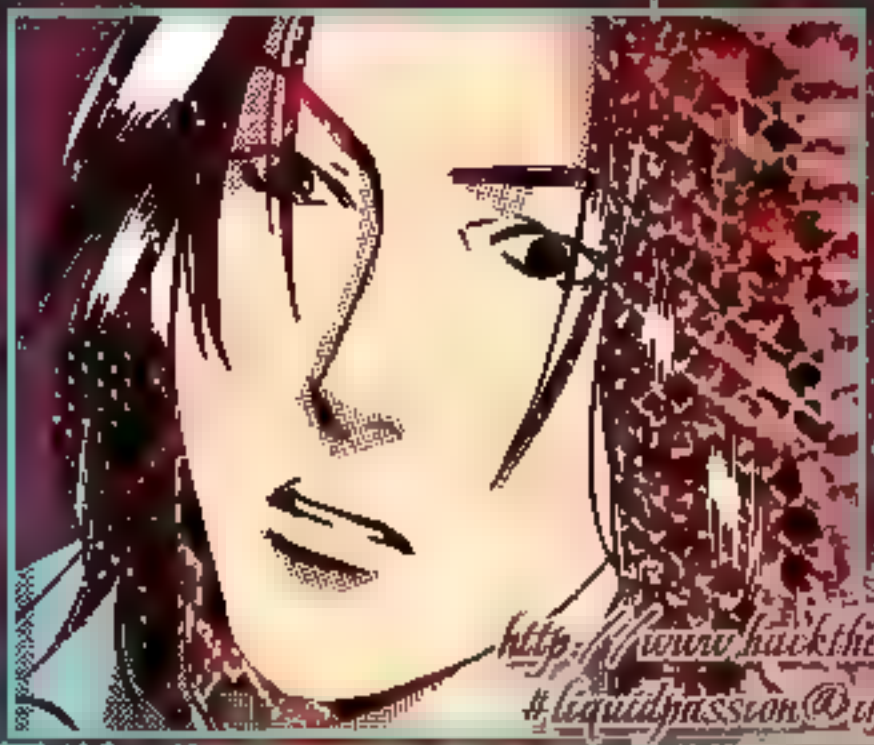

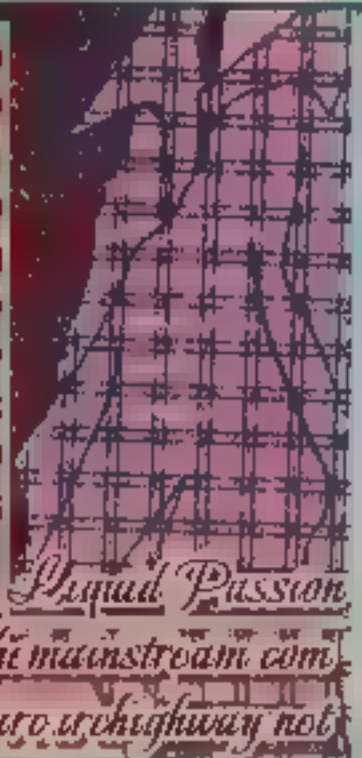

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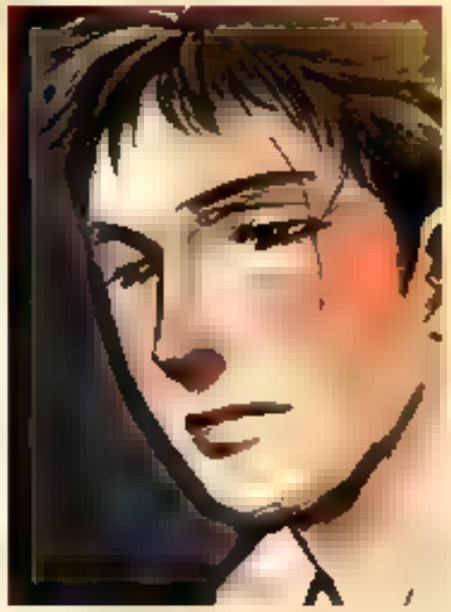
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Hikaru + Yuki

Real things*
Hello Again*
Hikaru Taira, Hitomi

Lovers and Souls
Tooru, Hikaru Taira, Shige

Fragile*, Vanity*
Dreamer's high*
Tooru, Hikaru Taira, Shige

Atori + Tooru

Hikaru

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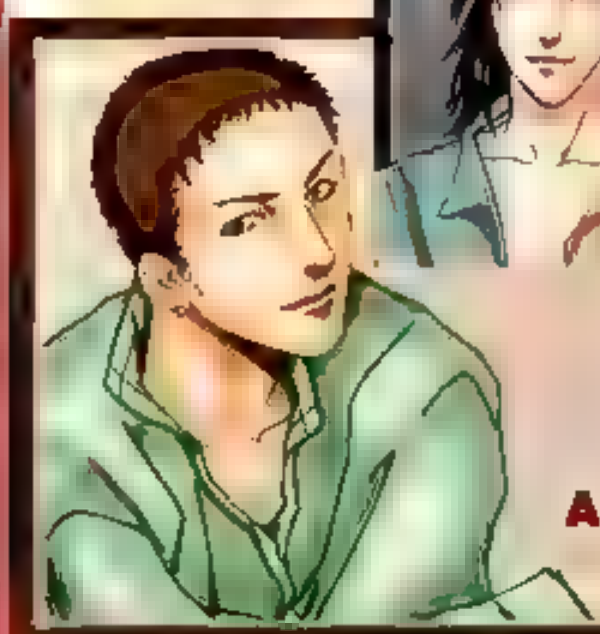
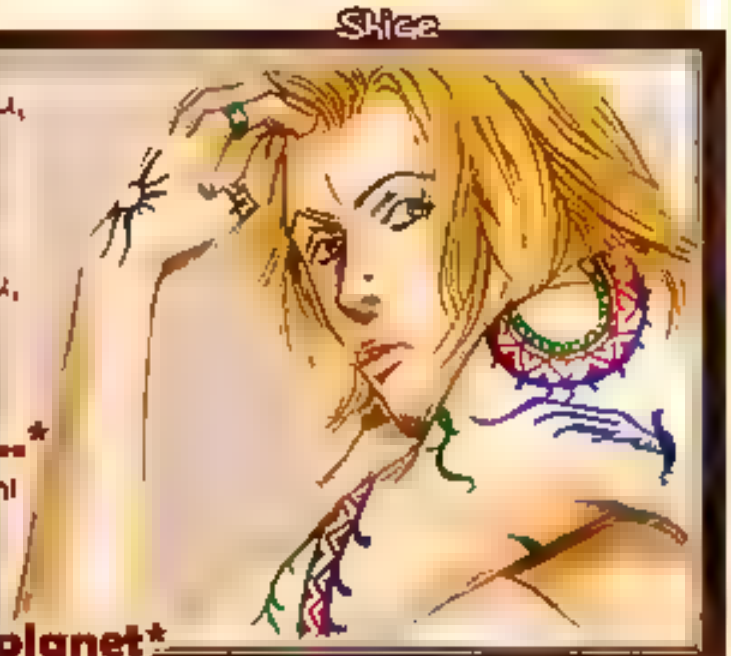


If winter comes...*
Hikaru, Yuki, Hitomi

Song Birds
Another day on the planet*
Tooru, Atori, Hikaru, Yuki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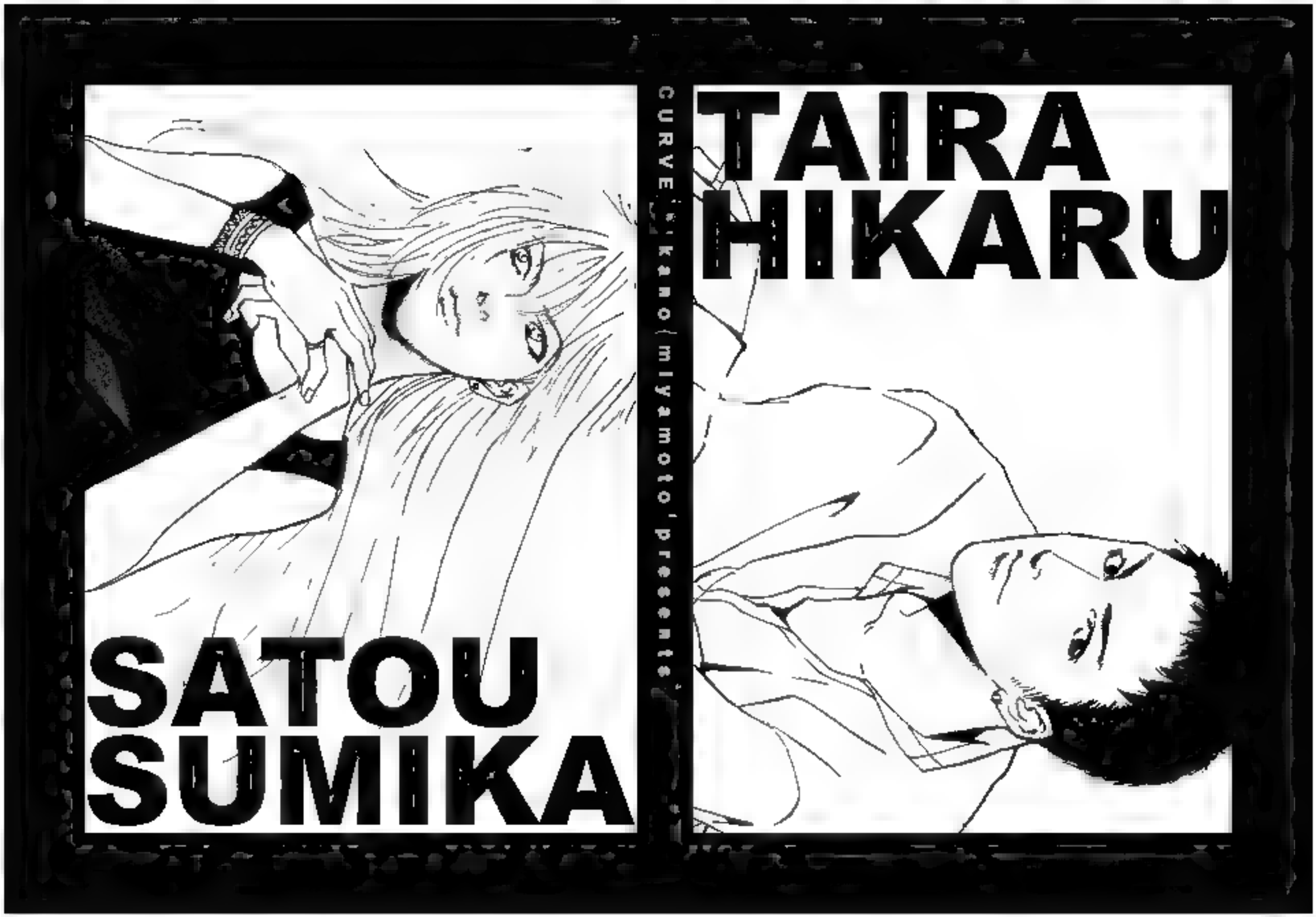
UTSUMI RYUU


TAIRA
HIKARU
SATOU
SUMIKA
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Dirty Dirty

YO.

...

MORNING.

AH, SO YOU REALLY DID SLEEP OVER HERE.

SLAM

Hmpf

WHAT'S THIS? THE COLD SHOULDER?

COME ON, NONE OF THAT NOW, HITOMI-CHAN.

GLARE

...

SEIZE

WHOA!

RYUU'S HAVING A REALLY TOUGH TIME RIGHT NOW, SO THAT KIND OF STUPID TALK WILL JUST...

IT'S NOT GETTING INTO TROUBLE THAT I'M WORRIED ABOUT!

MAN, YOU CAN BE REALLY ANNOYING. QUIT NAGGING LIKE A GIRL.

YEAH, YEAH, I GET IT.

I KNOW THAT. WE'D BE IN TROUBLE IF HE FOUND OUT, RIGHT?

DON'T YOU DARE SAY A WORD ABOUT YESTERDAY TO RYUU!

UWAH! I SLEPT FOR 10 HOURS STRAIGHT! I'VE GOT TO GET BACK TO STUDYIN'!

EH?

11:25 AM.

Shuffle

HOW ARE YOUR STUDIES COMING ALONG?

DON'T ASK. SEE YEH LATER.

SURE, NO PROBLEM.

HITOMI, COULD YEH DO ME A FAVOUR AND FIX ME SOME LUNCH WHEN YOU MAKE YOURS?

Thanks

IT'S ALMOST NOON, YOU KNOW.

WHAT ARE YEH MAKIN' ALL THIS NOISE FOR SO EARLY IN THE MORNIN'...?

Shuffle

Open

.. WHAT TIME IS IT?

SLAM

YEAH.

THERE'S SOME CUP RAMEN OVER THERE.

...IS THERE ANY FOR ME?

Clonk

Glug glug

DO YOU NEED HOT WATER?

YEAH, GO ON.

TEAR

WHAT?

...HEY.

...

I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU NOT TO MENTION THAT.

ARE YOU THAT PISSED ABOUT YESTERDAY...?

...

I'VE FALLEN FOR YOU.

WHA...!?

"IF" I SAID THAT, WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

Be careful with that hot water!

YOU ARE SUCH A...

...

YOU...

twitch

WHY THE HELL WOULD A GUY WHO'S BEEN SCREWING GIRLS LEFT, RIGHT AND CENTER SUDDENLY FALL FOR A MAN LIKE ME!?

OF COURSE NOT!

JUST ANOTHER ONE OF LIFE'S MYSTERIES.

Hmm.

...AH, I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT NOT TAKE IT SERIOUSLY.

STOP SCREWING AROUND WITH ME, SERIOUSLY!

DO YOU REALLY GET THAT BIG A KICK OUT OF PROVOKING ME?

...IT REALLY IS LITSUMI, ISN'T IT?

HEY, HANG ON.

WHAT?

!

...I DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND IT EITHER, BUT MY HEART'S ALL AFLUTTER.

Kyaa! ♡

OH, JUST FUCK OFF!

YOU KNOW IT'D NEVER WORK OUT WITH HIM.

EH?

...WHAT DO YOU MEAN, DIFFERENT?

YOU DON'T KNOW?

OF COURSE, I DON'T MEAN ABOUT THAT INCIDENT.

HE'S DIFFERENT FROM US.

I'VE BEEN ABLE TO FIGURE OUT THAT MUCH BY HANGING AROUND YOU GUYS FOR A WHILE.

YOU TOLD ME BEFORE THAT HE WAS LIKE SOMETHING OUT OF THIS WORLD, RIGHT?

WELL, THAT'S KIND OF WHAT I MEAN.

...I WONDER WHAT IT IS... IT'S LIKE THE GUY HAS NO PLACES YOU CAN CATCH HOLD OF...

THAT'S WHY HE WON'T EVER BECOME YOURS.

...

OH?

YOU'RE NOT GOING TO START AGONIZING ABOUT WHAT I JUST SAID, ARE YOU?

AH, CAN I HAVE SOME OF THIS BREAD?

Looks good.

...NO...

WELL, ANYWAY, THAT'S JUST MY THOUGHTS, BUT I DON'T REALLY KNOW EITHER.

Ow, hot

...

HITOMI, FOOD!

Rattle

AH, SORRY!

I....

...TAIRA?

HUH?

I THINK... I PROBABLY KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN.

...

SLAM

WHAT WAS THAT?

Little by little...

Something was changing.

UMMM... SO-SO, I GUESS...

H-H-HOW WAS IT?

EH?

Your eyes have glazed over

NAO!

?

DO YOU NEED TO TAKE THE SECOND EXAMINATION* FOR THE PLACE YOU'RE AIMING FOR?

...

OF COURSE.

B-BUT WELL DONE FOR NOW.

THAT'S RIGHT!

AT LEAST YOU'VE GOT ONE BEHIND YOU!

...

THIS CALLS FOR A DRINK, A DRINK!

*T/N: The centre test is nationally standardized, but to attend the better universities you need to take a second examination too

YUMI!

Yumi, let's go

レンタルビデ

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? I THOUGHT YOU ALREADY HAD A RECOMMENDATION IN YOUR POCKET.

COME ON, LET'S GO GET SOME TEA.

HUH?

Hi there.

OH YEAH, IT'S UTSUMI-KUN! HOW ARE YOU?

I WAS PICKING UP RYUU.

WHO'S THAT?

She called him "Nao."

HITOMI'S EX-GIRLFRIEND.

OH REEEALLY?

EH?

HITOMI! YOU GO AHEAD, DON'T WORRY ABOUT US.

GO ON, GO ON.

...LATER, THEN...

BYE-BYEEE!

...

GLANCE

YOU COMING OR WHAT?

YEAH.

SAY, NAO, WASN'T THAT TAIRA-KUN FROM CLASS 1?

SINCE WHEN DID YOU TWO GET ALONG SO WELL?

UMM... Good question

YOU KNOW, THAT TAIRA-KUN... HE'S TALL, AND NOT BAD LOOKING, BUT I FIND HIM REALLY HARD TO DEAL WITH. Somehow.

OH? WHY'S THAT?

WELL, IN MY SECOND YEAR, I WAS IN THE SAME CLASS AS HIM.

IT WAS LIKE HE HAD THIS STRANGE ABILITY TO SEE RIGHT THROUGH YOU...

ON THE SURFACE HE SEEMS KIND OF FRIVOLOUS,

BUT I CAN'T HELP THINKING THAT, IN REALITY, HE MIGHT BE A PRETTY SCARY PERSON...

You know?

...

ANY-WHERE'S FINE...

...ATTRACTIVE-NESS, HUH...

It's not like I don't know what they mean, but...

SO, WHERE SHALL WE GO?

EH, REALLY?

Why?

ON THE OTHER HAND, HE IS QUITE POPULAR WITH GIRLS.

I DON'T KNOW... THEY SAY HE'S GOT HIS OWN BRAND OF ATTRACTIVE-NESS.

...HEY,

UTSUMI?

HM?

...

Yawn

Want to get some food?

SCUFF

DO YOU LIKE HITOMI?

WELL, DO YOU?

...HUH!?

...I DON'T REALLY GET WHAT YEH'RE AFTER...

WHY ARE YEH ASKIN' SOMETHIN' LIKE THAT?

WHERE DID THAT COME FROM, ALL OF A SUDDEN?

WHE...

ACTUALLY, I'VE BEEN CURIOUS ABOUT IT FOR A WHILE NOW.

CAN YOU LET ME HAVE HIM?

IF YOU DON'T HAVE THOSE KINDS OF FEELINGS FOR HIM,

...

HOW ABOUT IT?

LET YEH HAVE HIM... THAT'S NOT FOR ME TO SAY, IS IT?

THAT'S FOR HITOMI TO DECIDE.

OH?

WHAT, SO YOU DO ADMIT IT?

WHAT?

THAT YOU AND HITOMI BOTH

REALLY DO SEE EACH OTHER IN THAT WAY.

!

...

WELL, WHAT-EVER.

I JUST WANTED TO LAY OUT THE FACTS.

WHAT?

DID I MISUNDERSTAND SOMETHING?

TAIRA...

I DON'T KNOW HOW TO EXPLAIN IT TO YEH...

?

UNDER-STAND WHAT?

HITOMI AND I AREN'T LIKE THAT.

...YEH WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND.

IN OTHER WORDS, SOMEONE LIKE ME COULD NEVER PENETRATE THAT LITTLE WORLD OF YOURS?

...

AH-HAA?

YOU WHAT!?

I WON'T SAY ANYTHIN'.

IF YEH AND HITOMI DO END UP GOIN' OUT OR SOMETHIN',

...

OH, WELL.

IN ANY CASE,

CHE.

IS THAT SUPPOSED TO BE SOME SHOW OF SUPERIOR FRIENDSHIP?

I don't buy it.

IF THAT'S THE WAY YOU FEEL, THEN MAKE SURE YOU DON'T GET IN THE WAY, LITSUMI.

BECAUSE I'VE ALREADY STARTED MAKING MY MOVE.

Kusthe

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

LET'S HURRY UP AND GET SOME FOOD.

something was changing...

TAIRA DIDN'T COME AGAIN?

NO...

HMM?

THAT'S RARE, HE HASN'T COME FOR 4 OR 5 DAYS IN A ROW NOW.

...COME ON, AT LEAST LET ME TAKE A BREAK.

HAHA!

WELL, YOU DO HAVE SOME TIME BEFORE THE FIRST RESULTS OF THE CENTRE TEST ARE ANNOUNCED.

HEY, DID YOU BUY THIS WEEK'S TV GUIDE?

Hello, everyone!

...

HM?

YOU MUST BE FULL OF CONFIDENCE IF YOU'RE NOT STUDYING.

...and what are you watching a kids show for??

RYUU?

...

OH, IT SHOULD BE LYIN' 'ROUND SOMEWHERE.

?

HEY! YEH'LL CATCH A COLD LIKE THAT, HITOMI!

MM?

...

Zzz

HEY, HITOMI?

HAVE YEH SEEN THE ANSWER GUIDE TO THIS...?

Creak

MMMMH,

I'M JUST FINE LIKE THIS...

IF YEH'RE GOIN' TO SLEEP, AT LEAST PUT OUT A FUTON...

Are yeh a Caterpillar?

Breathe

...

HMM?

NOTHING ...

...

HITOMI...

YEH KNOW...

...

WHISPER

GOOD NIGHT...

RY...

RYUU!

WHA...

YEW'RE HURTIN' MY HAND.

Squeeze

WHA-WHAT? YOU JUST SAID SOMETHING, DIDN'T YOU?

AH, S-SORRY!

...

...TAIRA TOLD ME THAT HE LIKES YEH.

HUH?

THE OTHER DAY...

EH?

...AND HE ALSO TOLD ME,

WHAT?!

THA-THAT BASTARD...

NOT TO GET IN THE WAY.

...EH?

IF YEH TWO REALLY DID BECOME LIKE THAT, I'D BE INTRUDIN' RIGHT?

TH-THAT ASSHOLE!

I'M GONNA KILL HIM!

SO NOW I'M THINKIN' THAT MAYBE I AM IN THE WAY.

THAT'S NEVER GOING TO HAPPEN!

WHA...

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!?

SOMETHIN' LIKE IT BEIN' A GUY OR A GIRL DOESN'T MATTER.

YE-YES, IT DOES! I'M NOT GAY!

ANYWAY, HE'S A GUY ISN'T HE, WHY WOULD I...

FIR-FIRST AND FOREMOST, I-I THINK NOTHING OF TAIRA...

...

DOESN'T MATTER, YOU SAY...

DOESN'T...

WHETHER IT'S A GUY OR A GIRL...?

...EH?

DO... DO YOU ...

REALLY THINK THAT IT DOESN'T MATTER...

...

...RY...

SOMETHIN' LIKE THAT ISN'T ENOUGH TO STOP YER FEEL.NGS...

IF YEH REALLY LIKE SOMEONE...

...

YEAH, I DO.

I...

RYUU...

...NO, LISTEN!

WHEN TAIRA SA.D THOSE THINGS TO ME,

YOU WERE THE ONE THAT I...

I DON'T LOVE ANYONE

THAT'S WHAT I DECIDED

I WON'T LET MYSELF LOVE ANYONE

...

DOES

YOU DON'T LOVE ME, EITHER?

DOES THAT MEAN...

YEH'RE MORE IMPORTANT TO ME THAN ANYTHIN'.

...

YEH'RE MY FRIEND.

I... CAN'T RETURN FEELINGS LIKE THAT.

BUT...

BUT, WHATEVER MAY HAPPEN BETWEEN YEH AND TAIRA,

...

THAT'S WHY I TOLD YOU, IT'S NOT LIKE THAT WITH HIM.

Man...

...

...

HITOMI?

THAT'S WHY...

NOTHIN' WILL CHANGE FOR ME.

I MORE THAN GET IT.

...

OKAY, I GET IT.

SORRY,

NO MORE OF THIS...

...

HITOMI...

tick

tock

...

...RYUU?

HM?

Open

Squeak

Wriggle

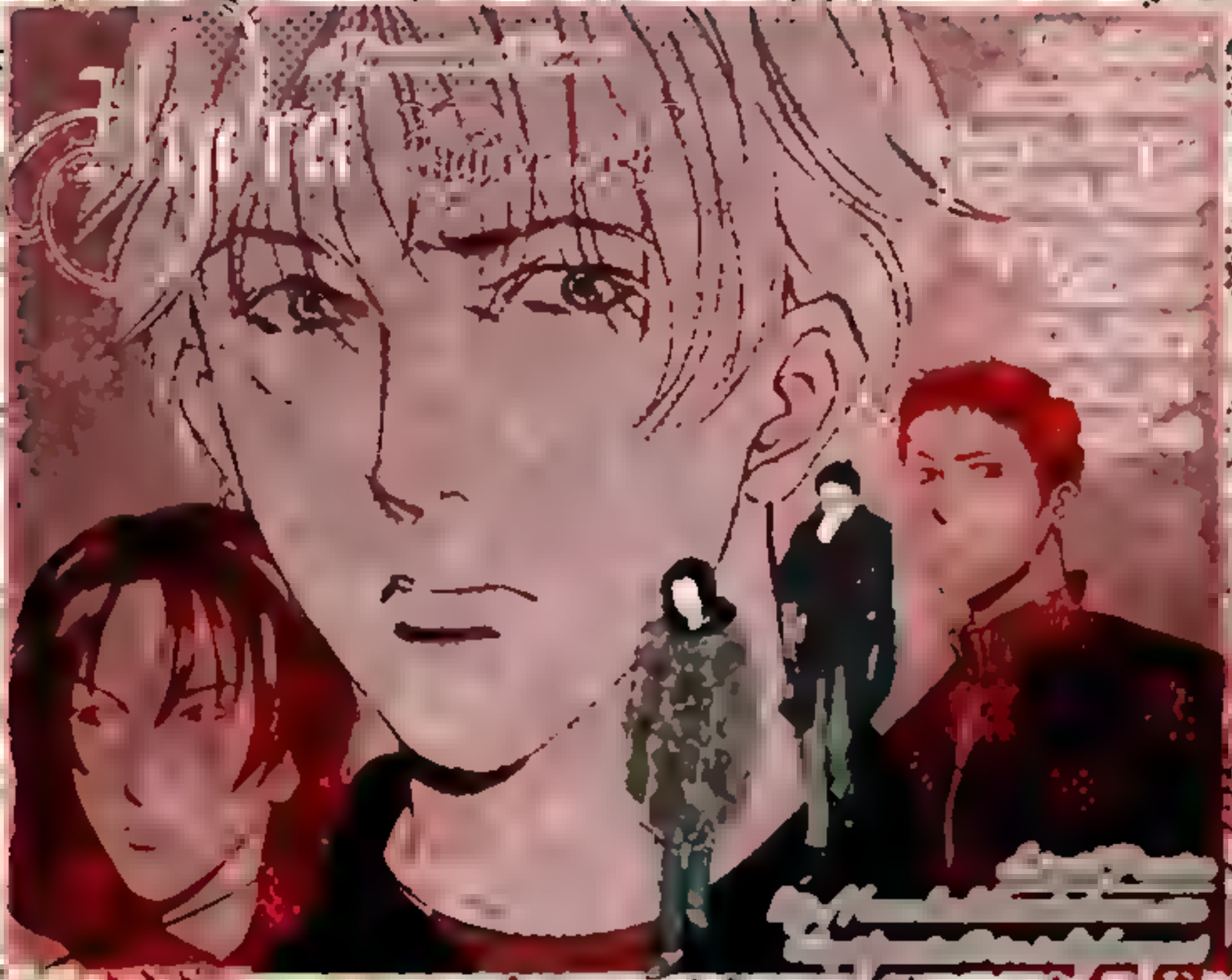
...I'M GOING BACK TO SLEEP NOW.

OH, OKAY...

SLAM

Step

Step



...!

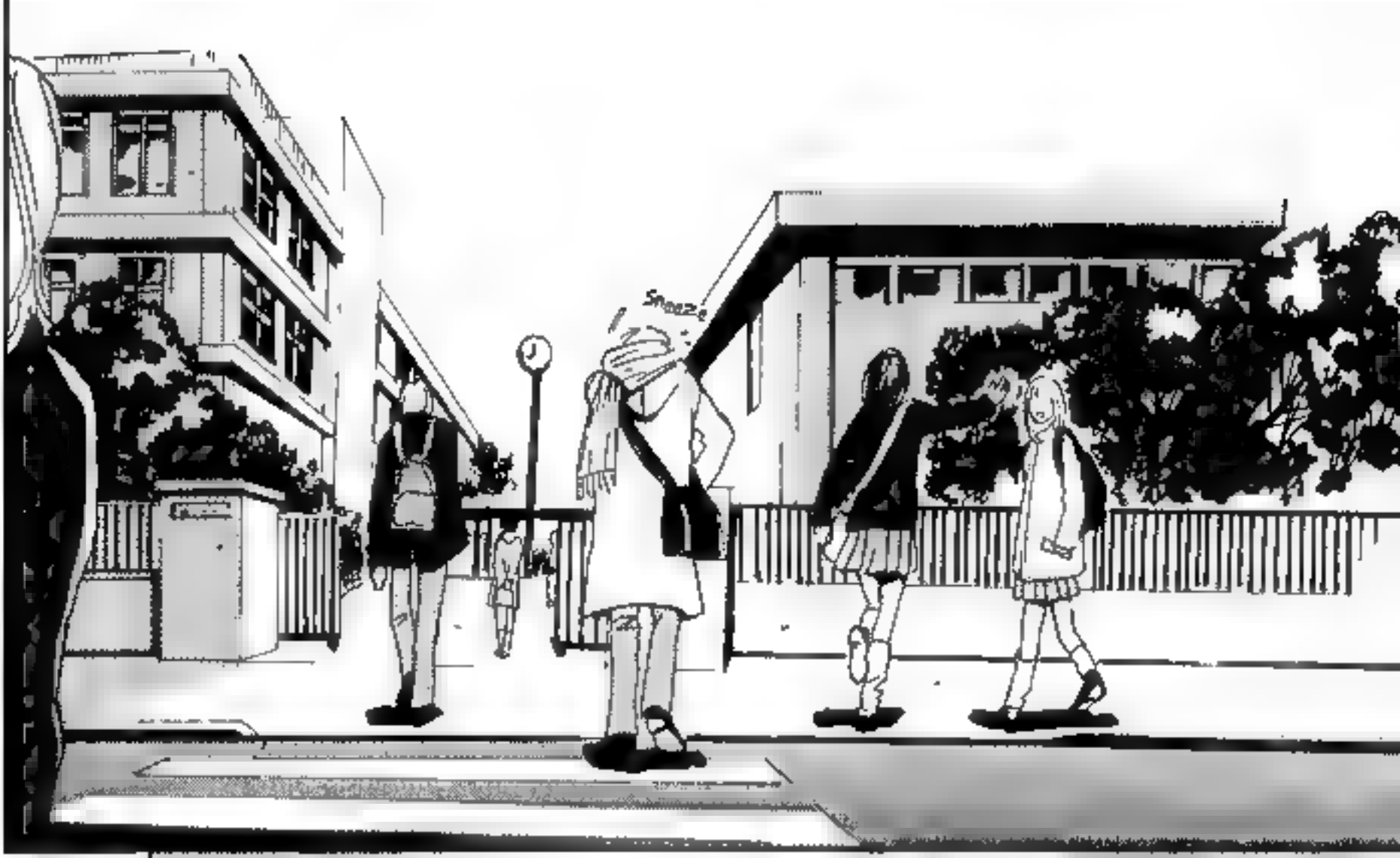
Bed head

HEY! GET UP, HITOMI!

YEH'RE GOIN' TO BE LATE IF YEH OVERSLEEP!

RUSH

STAY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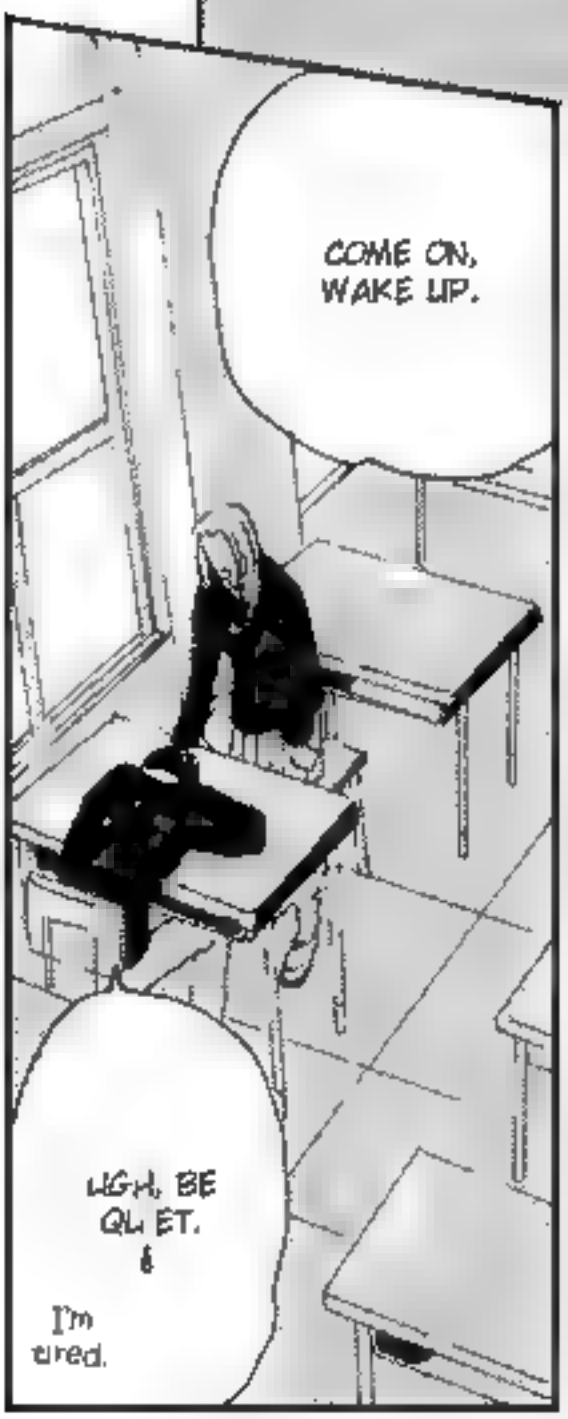
COME ON, WAKE UP.
UGH, BE QUIET.
I'm tired.

...HEY, TAIRA-KUN.
poke
MMM?

Zzz

Be quiet, he says.

COME ON! HEEEY! GET UP!

MMM,

I'LL GET UP IF YOU LET ME DO YOU NEXT TIME.

...

STARE

YOU HAVE A VISITOR.

KNOCK

HUH?

OUCH!

Kathe

...

Y-YO.

TAKING A DAY OFF.

...OH, RIGHT.

WHAT'S UP?

You don't look so hot.

...HM?

WHERE'S UTSUMI?

HUH?

...

...ARE YOU FREE RIGHT NOW?

WELL, IF I SKIP THE AFTERNOON LESSONS I'M FREE.

HEY, WHERE DID TAIRA GO?

HE WENT OFF SOMEWHERE WITH HITOMI FROM CLASS TWO.

DAMN HIM...

THANKS...

SAY,

IS IT OKAY FOR YOU TO SKIP LESSONS? WHAT ABOUT YOUR ATTENDANCE RECORD?

HERE.

...

IT'S FINE...

...DOWN...

HEY...

DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?

...

Sip

...

WHAT?

I WAS SHOT DOWN.

...

WHA ...!?

YESTERDAY,

I WAS TALKING WITH RYUU... AND SOMEHOW WE GOT ONTO THAT TOPIC...

...THIS WOULDN'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH ME SAYING SOME UNCALLED-FOR THINGS TO UTSUMI, WOULD IT?

...

YES, IT DOES ACTUALLY, BUT ENOUGH OF THAT ALREADY.

AN-AND WHAT HAPPENED THEN!?

...

I SAID SOME STUFF TO RYUU, KIND OF LEADING IN THAT DIRECTION...

...

I DON'T KNOW, BUT HE SA.D THAT'S WHAT HE DECIDED.

HA-HANG ON, WHAT DOES HE MEAN BY "WON'T FALL IN LOVE"!?

I TOLD YOU, I DON'T KNOW.

I'VE GOTTEN SO CONFUSED. I DON'T UNDER-STAND ANYTHING ANYMORE...

WH-WH-WHY!? BECAUSE OF THAT INCIDENT?

AND THEN HE TOLD ME...

THAT HE WON'T FALL IN LOVE WITH ANYONE...

I JUST FEEL MISERABLE...

...

...NO, HOLD ON.

I KNOW THAT THIS SHOULD BE A PRETTY WELCOME SITUATION FOR ME, BUT...

THOSE ARE THE KINDS OF THINGS THAT HAVE BEEN GOING ROUND IN MY HEAD ...

MAYBE I JUST GOT THE WRONG IDEA SOMEWHERE ALONG THE WAY...

...LOOKING BACK NOW, I NEVER REALLY THOUGHT ABOUT HOW I WANTED THINGS BETWEEN ME AND RYUU TO TURN OUT...

ARE YOU TELLING ME THAT YOU'RE FINE WITH THIS?

YOU'RE GIVING UP THAT EASILY?

IT'S THE SAME AS SAYING HE DOESN'T LOVE ME, RIGHT?

THAT'S WHY I CAN'T...

...

BUT...

...

WHEN HE SAID THAT HE DOESN'T LOVE ANYONE...

OF COURSE I'M NOT.

!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

...I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE CRYING.

IT MUST REALLY BE SOMETHING DIFFERENT, RIGHT?

IF YOU REALLY LIKE SOMEONE, DON'T YOU THINK IT'S NORMAL TO WANT TO TOUCH THEM AND KISS THEM?

IF YOU DON'T FEEL LIKE THAT TOWARD UTSUMI, THEN...

...?

THE POINT IS THAT THERE'S NO USE IN GLOSSING THINGS OVER.

IF I HAVE FEELINGS FOR SOMEONE, I CAN'T HOLD BACK LIKE HE DOES.

I'M NOT LIKE UTSUMI.

...

HEY...

TAIRA... I'M...

I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GET YOU OUT OF MY HEAD.

EVER SINCE THAT TIME I KISSED YOU...

I THINK ABOUT YOU SO MUCH IT MAKES ME LAUGH...

...

WHAAAT?

HOW ...

HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU TO STOP TAKING ADVANTAGE LIKE THAT!?

Whack

...

JUST HOLD ON ONE DAMN SECOND!

WHY DO YOU HAVE TO BE SO QUICK TO DEFINE EVERYTHING LIKE THAT?

HUH?

...

THAT'S WHY I'VE BEEN TELLING YOU. I DON'T KNOW YET!

...AM I REALLY NO GOOD FOR YOU?

SO...

IF I WAS WRONG ABOUT ME AND RYUU... THEN THAT MIGHT MEAN I'M NOT... NOT GAY OR ANYTHING AFTER ALL....

...WELL NO, NOT REALLY BAD AS SUCH...

OH.

THEN THAT'S ALL THAT MATTERS.

OR IS THAT IT? DID IT FEEL BAD WITH ME?

Clicker Clicker

...

ALL IT COMES DOWN TO IS WHETHER IT MAKES YOU FEEL GOOD OR BAD, RIGHT?

IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH BEING GAY OR STRAIGHT.

This kind of thing.

...

TA-TA-TAIRA!

MMMM?

WAI- STOP IT!

Uuugh!

SHUSH.

Glomp

SO LET'S CONTINUE ...

URK.

WAH!

YOU'RE PUSHING IT TOO FAR!

...

Slide

STOP CLIMBING ALL OVER ME, DAMNIT!

I'M GOING HOME!

ARGH...

That's the second time

SO YOU CAN TRUST ME.

I'M PRETTY LOYAL, YOU KNOW. MY FEELINGS DON'T EASILY WAVER.

HITOMI?

WHAT?

...

STEP

STEP

SLAM

IDIOT.

...

Idiot, he says..

SLAM

I'VE REALLY GOT IT BAD FOR HIM...

...GOD,

And now for tonight's weather in the Tokyo region; there will be a strong cold front approaching.
Snow has already started falling in the central city, and it is likely that the snow will continue accumulating. The city will...

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YOU'VE REALLY LET YOUR HAIR GROW, HAVEN'T YOU?

HUH?

.....

YOU CUT YOURS AGAIN?

YEAH, YESTERDAY.

WHATCHA THINK?

What do I think..? Looks the same as always.

Before I knew it, we had graduated from high school.

NO.

I TRIED TO CALL HIM YESTERDAY, BUT HE DIDN'T PICK UP.

DID YOU GET THROUGH TO UTSUMI?

Taira and I became university students.

HMM...

HE SAID BEFORE THAT HE'S REALLY BUSY WITH PREP SCHOOL AND HIS PART-TIME JOB...

I WONDER IF IT'S OKAY FOR US TO JUST DROP BY WITHOUT WARNING.

WHY DOESN'T THAT GUY HAVE A CELL PHONE?

.....

It was the beginning of a new life...

HEY!

Ryuu failed the university exam and is now attending prep school.

HE'S WORKING AT A PUB OR BAR OR SOMETHING, RIGHT?

YEAH, HE LIED ABOUT HIS AGE SO HE COULD WORK IN A NIGHT CLUB.

As a bartender

THAT GUY'S TOO GOOD AT DECEIVING PEOPLE..

The number of times when we could all get together became fewer and fewer.

UMM, WELL THE PRACTICALS ARE, BUT...

I know. GETTING AN EDUCATION'S TEDIOUS, ISN'T IT?

HOW ARE YOUR CLASSES GOING? ARE THEY FUN?

I think each of us repressed the memories of what had been said...

AT GRADUATION!

and continued pretending to be nothing more than friends.

(during do-ing)

All the trouble and confusion from before graduation seems to have magically faded away.

HMM, IT'S ALREADY 11AM...

WHAT TIME IS IT NOW?

creak

HE'S NOT ANSWERING. THINK HE'S STILL ASLEEP?

YOU'VE GOT A KEY, RIGHT? OPEN IT.

UM..

THINK IT'S OKAY TO GO IN...?

Sure it is.

YEESH!

ISN'T IT ALCOHOL!?

Ugh!

!?

WHAT'S THIS SMELL!?

Gick

WHAT'S HE BEEN DOING?

I didn't know he drank wine

LE-LET'S JUST GO INSIDE FOR NOW...

.....

See.?

.....

WHAT IS IT?

TA-TAIRA!

THI-THI-
THI-THI—

IN THAT CASE, HE'LL HAVE A DEVIL OF A HANGOVER RIGHT NOW...

!

WHAT THE HELL'S ALL THIS?

SEEMS LIKE HE CAME HOME COMPLETELY TRASHED AND JUST STRIPPED HIS CLOTHES OFF AS HE WENT.

THIS!

Look!

creak

CLATTER

DO-DON'T YOU THINK WE SHOULD LEAVE?

EH, RE-RE-REALLY?

!

si—lence

.....

creak

.....

ped~

L-LOOKS LIKE SOMEONE'S THERE

HAVE A LOOK INSIDE.

creak

YE-YEAH..

WHA-WHAT IS IT!?

SLAM

EEK!

CLATTER

THE BATHROOM, IT CAME FROM THE BATHROOM! COME ON, LET'S SEE!

WH-WHAT IS IT THIS TIME?

HE MUST HAVE BEEN HAVING A GREAT TIME...

TH-THAT BASTARD!

LET'S GO BACK ALREADY

CO-CO-COME ON, WE'LL GET IN TROUBLE!

TH-THERE'S A LADY SLEEPING IN THERE...

WHAT!?

.....

...?

steam

stealthily

WHAT ARE YEH DOIN'?

OH, IT'S YEH GUYS.

I COULD ASK YOU THE SAME.

WHAT'S THIS, A FREE SHOW? We can see something dangling there you know!

...

I DON'T REALLY KNOW.

JUST AS I THOUGHT...

CARE TO EXPLAIN WHAT'S IN YOUR BED?

.....

cough

HEY, YO, LISTEN,

THERE'S NO FREE SHOW HERE. ANYWAY, YEH SHOULDN'T COME INTO THE BATH-ROOM WITH YER CLOTHES ON.

Don't look!

I FOUND THIS.

...

Used condom wrapper.

PROBABLY...

HUH!?

pad

I DON'T REALLY RE-MEMBER, BUT WHEN I WOKE UP THIS MORNIN', NEXT TO THE PILLOW...

WHEN I CAME TO, THAT WOMAN WAS THERE WITH ME.

YESTERDAY, THERE WERE SOME REALLY PERSISTENT CUSTOMERS AT THE BAR, AND THEY HAD ME DRINKIN' AN AWFUL LOT.

...THAT OLD STORY...

...

.....

...AND?

DID YOU DO IT WITH HER?

THAT'S RIGHT, WE DON'T WANT TO BE DRAGGED INTO THE ENSUING DRAMA!

LET'S JUST LEAVE FOR NOW.

.....

BLEEH

I'M ASKING IF YOU EVEN KNOW WHO SHE IS AND WHERE SHE CAME FROM!?

ER, NO CLUE...

YOU...

H-H-HOLD IT, TAIRA, ENOUGH ALREADY!

WELL, APPARENTLY I USED A CONDOM, SO NO...

.....

WON'T THIS GET YOU IN TROUBLE?

THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT, MORON!

How dense are you?

!

flinch

OH, WHAT HAVE WE HERE?

.....

stare

YOU'RE NOT THE BOY FROM LAST NIGHT, ARE YOU?

WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM?

tap tap

DEAR ME, WHAT'S THIS ...?

Ah, my head hurts.

AH!

DON'T YOU MEAN THIS GUY?

I SEEM TO REMEMBER HIM HAVING LONGER HAIR THAN THIS...?

...

?

ER, UMM...

I..I can see her nipples through her dress.

LL..UM, I WAS JUST TAKIN' A SHOWER...

OH, REALLY ...WHY DID YOU JUST DISAPPEAR LIKE THAT!?

I WAS SO SURPRISED WHEN I WOKE UP ALL ALO-NE.

WHAT'S WRONG?

Slightly glazed look.

HM?

Silence

SHUT

.....

ARE THEY OKAY?

ER ...

UMM, WE'D BETTER GET GOING.

PUSH

UGH!

OH, MUST YOU GO, BOYS?

S-S-SEE YEH.

push

whoosh

I MEAN, SHE WAS A REAL BEAUTY BUT OBVIOUSLY A LOT OLDER THAN WE ARE, RIGHT?

WOW, THAT WAS SURPRISING.

whoosh

YE... YEAH.

DAMN, THAT UTSUMI'S GOT IT GOOD.

HEY, ARE YOU LISTENING?

close

!

.....

ding

DO...

DO YOU ENVY HIM?

WELL, YEAH, I CAN'T BELIEVE HE GETS TO DO A HOT CHICK LIKE THAT WITHOUT PAYING FOR IT...

.....

...OOPS.

slide

YOU KNOW I ONLY HAVE EYES FOR YOU!

JUST KIDDING, JUST KIDDING!

LLLL

THAT JOKE OF YOURS IS REALLY STARTING TO WEAR THIN.

I NEED TO STOP BY THE UNIVERSITY. CATCH YOU LATER.

.....

WELL, THEN,

I'VE GOT MY PART-TIME JOB TO GET TO...

'KAY...

COME OVER TO MY PLACE TOMORROW.

EH?

COME ON, IT'S BEEN AGES SINCE YOU LAST CAME!

HITOMI!

creak

HM?

WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

SAY, RYUU,

creak

.....

RYUU...

OH, RIGHT.

I WORK NEARBY, TOO. I'M NATSUKI.

CAN WE SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN?

.....

SURE...

REALLY?

THEN I'LL COME BY THE BAR AGAIN.

BYE-
BYEEE

.....

pull

WELL,
I'M OFF.

Uh

MMM...
smooch

.....

sigh

...EH?

WHAT IS
IT WITH YOU,
SERIOUSLY?

FUCK!

HUH?

I THOUGHT THAT WAS ALL LONG BEHIND YOU!

THE THING WITH UTSUMI!

.....

MAN! YOU KNOW HE CAN'T HELP IT. HE'S A GUY AFTER ALL.

.....

THAT'S NOT IT.

IT WASN'T LIKE I WAS SHOCKED BECAUSE OF THAT OR ANYTHING...

I'VE JUST... BEEN THINKING ABOUT A LOT OF STUFF.

I MEAN, US, TOO.

SINCE WE STARTED UNIVERSITY, WE DON'T SEE EACH OTHER THAT MUCH ANYMORE, EITHER, DO WE?

THAT'S WHY I HAVEN'T BEEN SAYING ANYTHING TO YOU ALL THIS TIME!

WELL, YEAH.

.....

BUT THAT KIND OF THING CAN'T BE HELPED.

IT'S NOT LIKE WE CAN STICK TOGETHER LIKE BEFORE FOR ALL ETERNITY.

THE THREE OF US EACH HAVE OUR OWN LIVES TO DEAL WITH...

.....

YEAH... I KNOW THAT.

squeeze

STOP CLINGING TO ME!

!

lean

...WHY DO YOU HAVE TO LEAVE SO SOON...?

I'VE GOT AN ASSIGNMENT TO DO.

...I'M GOING HOME.

COLD AS ALWAYS, I SEE.

EVEN THOUGH I'VE HELD BACK FOR SO LONG.

EH?

WA-WA-WAIT A SEC!

OH, NO,

I'M WAITING ONLY AS LONG AS I MUST.

YOU CAN KEEP HOLDING BACK FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE.

...JUST WHAT PART OF ME IS SO ATTRACTIVE?

TAIRA?

YEAH?

ANYWAY, COME AND SIT DOWN AGAIN.

YOU CAN AT LEAST STAY FOR A CUP OF COFFEE.

YOU'RE WEIRD.

.....

Flick

UMM,

I WONDER WHY? IT'S TRUE THAT I'M NOT A HOMO...

WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'D HAVE PROBLEMS GETTING A GIRL, RIGHT?

WHY ARE YOU BEING SO PERSISTENT WITH ME?

.....

AM I?

AH, I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT.

Y'KNOW, I'M BEGINNING TO DOUBT THAT.

.....

SIGH

JUST CHILL. IT'S NOT A BIG DEAL!

YOU CAN AT LEAST LET ME TOUCH YOUR HAIR.

NOT AGAIN ...

HEY.

HM?

.....

Yeah yeah

CAN I...

TAKE ADVANTAGE AGAIN...?

.....

Nn.

.....

WHAT'S WRONG?

HEY.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

WHA?

.....

OH...?

.....

I DON'T KNOW.

...WHY AREN'T YOU FIGHTING ME OFF?

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE LET ME KISS YOU PROP-ER-LY.

SO I WON'T F GHT YOU. JUST DO WHAT YOU LIKE.

WHAT YOU WERE AFTER THE WHOLE TIME ANYWAY, ISN'T IT?

I'LL TAKE THAT AS A GREEN LIGHT...

.....

WELL, THIS IS...

DOING YOU IS NOT WHAT I'VE BEEN AFTER.

IF IT WERE, I'D HAVE PINNED YOU DOWN AND FUCKED YOU LONG AGO!

...YOU STILL DON'T GET IT, DO YOU?

WHAT?

I'M BIGGER THAN YOU, HITOMI, AND STRONGER, TOO.

ARE YOU SURE YOU AREN'T MISTAKING ME FOR SOME GIRL? DON'T THINK THAT IT'D BE THAT EASY TO...

...!

.....

YOU'RE LYING...

NO, I'M NOT.

!

THAT'S THE REASON I WANT TO HAVE SEX WITH YOU ...

I TOLD YOU BEFORE, DIDN'T I?

IT'S BECAUSE I LIKE YOU THAT I WANT TO KISS AND TOUCH YOU.

I LIKE YOU.

HOW OFTEN DO I HAVE TO SAY IT FOR YOU TO BELIEVE ME?

.....

HEY...

I'M OKAY WITH BEING A REPLACEMENT OR WHATEVER, YOU KNOW?

!

OW!

grab

!

IF YOU CAN'T BRING YOURSELF TO GIVE UP ON UTSUMI.

WHY DON'T YOU JUST THINK OF ME AS HIM?

EVEN IF IT'S LIKE THAT, I CAN STILL...

DON'T YOU

EVER SAY
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT
AGAIN!!

OH?

WHAT'S
THIS?

DID
I JUST
TOUCH
A SORE
SPOT?

YOUR BODY IS IN JUST THE RIGHT POSITION!

COME ON.

IT'S BETTER NOT TO THINK OF IT IN THAT WAY, ANYWAY.

!

WE..L, ANYWAY, THAT'S GREAT.

!

HEY...

JUST HOW SERIOUS I REALLY AM ABOUT YOU?

WHY DON'T YOU SEE FOR YOURSELF?

NNN...

!

creak

LET'S...
MOVE THIS
TO THE
BED?

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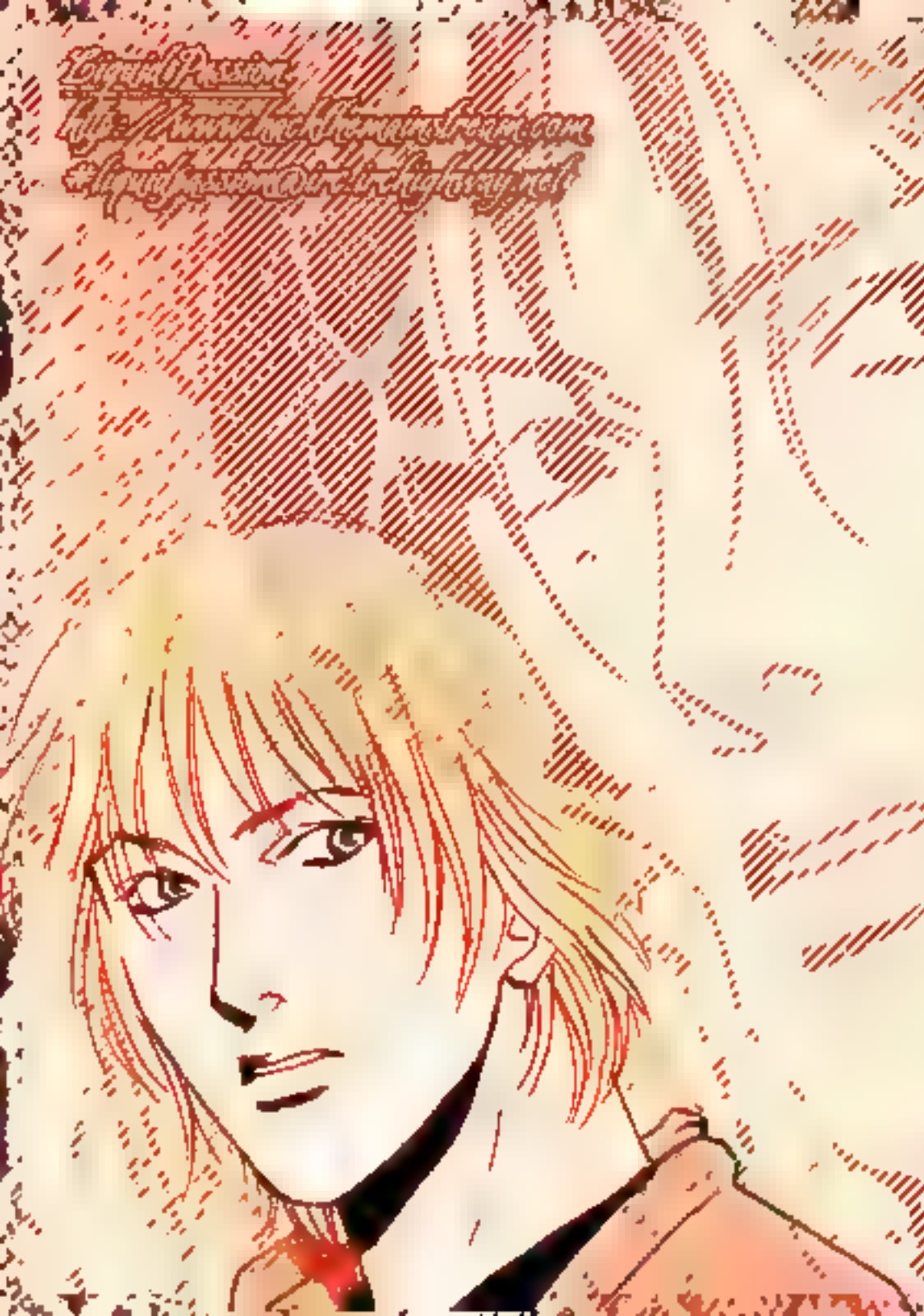

Achoo!

.....

IT'S PROBABLY CRAWLING WITH DUST MITES.

sniffle

Here

Achoo!

MY NOSE HAS BEEN FEELING STRANGE SINCE I CAME IN...

AH, THAT MIGHT BE CUZ THIS ROOM HASN'T BEEN CLEANED IN AGES.

clink

WHAT, DO YOU HAVE A COLD?

NO...

Achoo!

HN...

I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO GIVE THIS DUMP A GOOD CLEANING OUT SOON.

AH!

Hikaruuu. I'm hoooome!

HEY, HITOMI.

clatter clatter

YOUR BED SMELLS KINDA MOULDY.

WHILE YOU'RE AT IT, GO DRY OUT YOUR MATTRESS.

.....

WHAT?

Hikaruu! don't you want any takoyaki?

I SHOULD REALLY GET GOING.

LOOKS LIKE YOUR PARENTS ARE HOME.

AH!

HEY, HANG ON HITOMI!

YOU'LL...

COME AGAIN, WON'T YOU?

.....

YEAH...

slide

I TOLD YOU I WAS SERIOUS...

step
step
step

shut

.....

IT'S NO
L E...

.....

'HITOM...

I LIKE
YOU.

Now...

That towards him.

that it's become like this. I finally understand.

towards Ryuu.

I really do feel...

WHAT'S THIS?

WHAT ARE YOU DOING NODDING OFF IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?

AH...

SENPAI... HI... That hurt

whack

HITOMI-KUN!

ARGH!

ART

DO YOU WANT TO TRY AND PUT THE FINISHING TOUCHES ON ONE OF THEM?

WELL, DO YOU REMEMBER SHOWING ME SOME SKETCHES OF A TATTOOED GUY?

HOW ABOUT YOU, SENPAI? WHAT'S UP?

IS THAT RIGHT?

OH, THE LECTURE WAS CANCELLED, SO...

.....

FOR NOW, JUST MAKE A ROUGH START AND SHOW IT TO ME.

I'LL BE IN TOUCH.

RIGHT...

..SURE.

Ryuu's--

BUT I'M CAUGHT UP IN JOB-HUNTING, AND IT'S BEEN A REAL PROBLEM GETTING ENOUGH DISPLAY PIECES.

WE'RE PLANNING ON HOLDING A PERSONAL EXHIBITION..

..ARE YOU STILL MAD OVER WHAT HAPPENED THE OTHER DAY?

NO REASON...

.....

HEY...

WHY WON'T YOU COME SEE ME?

NO, I'M NOT...

.....

.....

SERIOUSLY? WHEN?

WELL,

I WANT YOU TO COME WITH ME SOME-WHERE...

OKAY.

.....

PLEASE, JUST LET ME SEE YOUR FACE.

HITOMI...

I SWEAR I WON'T DO ANYTHING...

I CHANGED MY MIND. I'M GOING HOME.

EH?

WA-WA-WAIT A MINUTE, TAIRA!

I DON'T REALLY WANT TO SEE HIM RIGHT NOW!

YOU CAN JUST GO MEET HIM BY YOURSELF.

COME OOON, LET'S GO IN TOGETHER.

Okay?

.....

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WHY CAN'T YOU JUST GO ALONE?

turn

NOW LOOK HERE.

IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'VE GOT THE FACT THAT YOU SLEPT WITH ME WRITTEN ON YOUR FACE OR ANYTHING!

501 UTSUMI

EH,

I-I DON'T REALLY KNOW, BUT...

...YOU ...

WHO'S GOING TO TELL HIM!?

I DON'T EVEN WANT TO SEE HIM!

DON'T SAY A WORD ABOUT THAT TO RYUU, YOU HEAR?

I COULD SAY THE SAME ABOUT YOU, BALDY!

Who are you calling a girlfriend?!

I'M NOT BALD!

YOU'RE THE ONE WHO WAS WHINING ON ABOUT SEEING ME!

ANYWAY, WHAT'S UP WITH THIS REVERSAL IN ATTITUDE?

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU! I SLEEP WITH YOU ONCE, AND YOU'RE ALREADY ACTING LIKE A CONCEITED GIRLFRIEND!?

THA—

!

...OOOH ...

SOUNDS LIKE SOMEONE'S JEALOUS...

.....

WHAT ARE YEH TWO DOING?

Yenre makin a racket

WELL, YEAH, BUT THIS TIME I'M DOING ONE PROPERLY.

I HAVE TO GET IN ALL THE DETAILS.

I need sketches.

Shuut

I'M ALWAYS PLAYIN' THE MODEL FOR YER PICTURES, AREN'T I?

POSE FOR A PORTRAIT?

...WHAT ARE YEH DOIN', TAIRA?

IN THAT CASE, YEH SHOULD'VE COME BY ON A NIGHT WHEN I'M NOT WORKIN'...

DON'T...

DON'T TELL ME...

THAT LADY FROM BEFORE!?

!

.....

DOES IT REALLY?

.....

EH?

HEY... DON'T YOU THINK IT REEKS OF WOMAN IN HERE?

perfume?

SINCE WHEN ARE YOU SUCH A LADYKILLER!?

OWOW-OW, YEH'RE WRONG!

SHE'S THE ONE WHO COMES ROUND SOMETIMES WHEN SHE'S BORED.

NO WONDER YOU'RE LOOKING SO DAMN CHIPPER!

OH, JUST SHUT UP!

KYAAA!

SHE'S CALLED NATSUKI.

THWACK

THWACK

Ow! Ouch! Owww!

Quit showing off. It's despicable!

.....

...I SHOULDN'T HAVE COME AFTER ALL...

HNN...

LET'S CALL IT A DAY.

snore

Hong Ha...

HE'S OUT LIKE A LIGHT.

HE HASN'T CHANGED, STILL QUITE THE CHARACTER.

THAT GUY CAN FALL ASLEEP IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE, WHEREVER HE MAY BE.

DO YOU HAVE PREP SCHOOL TOMORROW MORNING TOO?

THANKS, RYUU.

Okay.

I'LL BE GETTIN' UP AT SEVEN.

RIGHT...

SORRY, BUT WOULD YEH MIND SLEEPIN' TOGETHER WITH TAIRA?

I DON'T HAVE MORE THAN ONE FUTON AT THE MOMENT.

SURE, NO PROBLEM.

WELL, THEN, IF WE'RE STILL ASLEEP TOMORROW, COME WAKE US.

YEAH.

COME ON, LET'S GET SOME SLEEP. WHERE'S TAIRA?

HOW'S SCHOOL?

AH!

YEAH, KIND OF.

HITOMI?

I'd better set the alarm clock

WELL, I HAVE TO DO SOME STUDYIN' FOR TOMORROW.

.....

OKAY...

ART SCHOOL SOUNDS PRETTY INTERESTIN'.

YEAH.

GOOD—

flush

GOOD NIGHT!

SLAM

NIGHT...

?

WHY NOW?

I SHOULD BE MORE THAN USED TO SEEING RYUU WITHOUT HIS CLOTHES ON.

AND YET, I COULDN'T TEAR MY EYES OFF HIM.

WHY DO I HAVE TO GET SO CONFUSED AT THIS LATE STAGE...?

OH, GOD!

MOVE OVER A BIT

WHOA!

!

AH, SHOOT! DO I HAVE FOOT?

I'M GOING TO SLEEP TOO SO LONG

HEY

HEY, CAN I BORROW

HEY, CAN I BORROW

grip

breathe

That's right.

I slept with this guy...

Ah. That day. when my lecture was cancelled...

THICK EYELASHES...

HE'S ACTUALLY GOT QUITE A PRETTY FACE...

Now that I look closely.

What on earth would Ryuu say if he found out about what happened?

And now, we're sleeping in each other's arms like this.

Before, neither his face nor his name meant anything to me.

It's kind of hard to believe.

Taira, one year ago.

Pyon

MMM

HM?

AH THERE'S THE DICTIONARY

MAYBE I WON'T DISTURB THEM

creak

cuddle cuddle

HI COME

beep beep beep

I WAS JUST THINKIN' OF WAKIN' YEH UP.

YEH OKAY FOR FOOD?

shut

YEAH. Don't need any.

...HOW ABOUT TAIRA?

slide

OH.

'MORNING, RYUU.

OKAY.

IN OTHER WORDS, NO NEED TO WAKE HIM YET.

HE SAID SOMETHING ABOUT GOING TO LECTURES IN THE AFTERNOON.

shut

HM?

shut

CAN I USE YOUR BATHROOM?

SURE.

THERE'S STILL SOME BREAD LEFT OVER FROM YESTERDAY.

I'M OFF TO CLASS.

HMM.

MY EMPTY STOMACH WOKE ME

WHAT ARE YOU DOING UP? IT'S ONLY EIGHT.

HMM... I DON'T KNOW...

MY PARENTS ARE STAYING SOMEWHERE OVERNIGHT, SO YOU CAN COME SLEEP OVER.

OKay.

HEY, HITOMI...

AH, HEY.

WHAT?

WAIT A SEC.

WELL, SEE YOU THEN.

AH, HITOMI—

JUST STAYING HOME.

TOMORROW'S SUNDAY, RIGHT? ANY PLANS?

IN THAT CASE, COME OVER TO MY PLACE.

.....

TAKE CARE!

...OH, WELL.

I'm actually getting used to him doing that"!

creak

AH,

Shut

RYUU!

I'VE GOT TO GET GOING.

HN.

WHAT'RE YEH DOIN'?

.....

OKAY...

I'LL COME BY AGAIN SOON.

.....?

YEAH, I KNOW.

MAKE SURE YOU'RE EATING ENOUGH.

SEE YA.

shut

WHAT'S WRONG, RYUU?

THESE DAYS, YOU'RE WORKING HERE EVERY NIGHT.

IS IT BECAUSE YOU HAVEN'T BEEN GETTING ENOUGH SLEEP?

NO...I'M FINE...

.....

MAYBE I AM.

Don't give me "huh"

IS IT JUST ME, OR ARE YOU LOOKING A BIT DOWN?

HUH?

..PEOPLE SHOULD EARN THEIR LIVIN' FAIR AND SQUARE.

I TOLD YOU THAT I'D BE QUITE HAPPY TO PROVIDE YOU WITH THE MONEY YOU MAKE WORKING HERE

WHER-EVER DID YOU GET THAT FROM?

HEEEY, UTSUMI, GIVE US A HAND OVER HERE

COMIN'.

OH.

I HAVE TO GO HELP OUT IN THE KITCHEN.

THEN, I GUESS I'LL GET GOING TOO.

'KAY.

SEE YOU, RYUJI I'LL COME OVER TOMORROW.

Bye-byeeee! ♥

I JUST GET WORRIED THAT SHE'S TOO MUCH OF A BABE FOR THE LIKES OF ME

I'M NO MORE THAN A PENNILESS GAP-YEAR STUDENT.

OH, STOP GOING ALL DRAMATIC ON ME.

ARGH, MUST BE NICE TO BE SO HAND-SOME.

I WISH NATSUKI'D DEIGN TO PLAY WITH ME TOO.

HAHA HA.. Yehre heavy

WORK.

OH, WHERE DID NATSUKI-SAN GO?

HMPF, THAT'S NO FUN.

WITH HER KIND OF OCCUPATION, IT'S PROBABLY JUST WHAT SHE NEEDS.

JUST GO ALONG WITH IT, AS LONG AS YOU REMEMBER NOT TO GET YOURSELF IN TOO DEEP.

Yaaay! ♥ What were you doing?

Hanaha!

I'M HERE, I'M HERE. WELCOME!

WHAAAT, NO TAKASHI-KUN TODAY?

.....

Achoo

DON'T BE RUDE...

I GAVE THE WHOLE ROOM A GOOD SCRUB AFTER THAT.

WHY IS IT THAT EVERY TIME I COME HERE MY NOSE GETS ALL ITCHY ...?

sniffle

Shut

DID YOU WASH THE SHEETS, TOO?

YUP, ALL WASHED.

YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN IT THE WATER FROM THE WASHING MACHINE TURNED COMPLETELY BLACK.

...YOU ARE UNBELIEVABLE.

I bet it was infested with mites!

YEAH, YEAH.

OH, BY THE WAY.

IT'S POSSIBLE THAT I'LL HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE LONG.

EH, WHY?

REALLY!?

MY SISTER IS GETTING DIVORCED.

SO SHE WANTS TO COME LIVE BACK HERE AGAIN.

SHE TOLD ME TO CLEAR OUT OF THIS ROOM.

AT FIRST, I THOUGHT ABOUT CRASHING AT RYUU'S PLACE FOR A WHILE.

BUT NOW HE'S GOT A WOMAN THAT'D BE A PRETTY BAD IDEA, RIGHT?

...YEAH, I GUESS. IT'D BE WRONG TO GET IN THE WAY...

RYUU'S BEEN LOOKING REALLY BUSY, TOO...

.....

.....

I DON'T REALLY KNOW...

HUH?

DIDN'T IT GIVE YOU A SHOCK?

THE FACT THAT RYUU'S GOT A WOMAN NOW...

.....

HITOMI...

.....

IT JUST FEELS LIKE HE'S GOTTEN THAT MUCH MORE DISTANT...

THAT'S WHAT...

HM?

...HEY.

HOW ABOUT ...

A LITTLE SIESTA?

.....

Mh...

creak

...HEY, HEY.

IT'S STILL LIGHT OUTSIDE, YOU KNOW...?

I CAN'T CONTROL MYSELF. I've had it building up.

Uh...

Somehow

It feels like I'm losing myself

Even so...

...NNH...

Somewhere in my heart my thoughts are always on Ryuu.

And yet, it appears that my body desires Taira's touch.

Can
this, too,
be called
love...?

AREN'T YOU HOT?

NO.

flick

IT'S ALREADY AUTUMN, AFTER ALL.

YEAH, THAT'S TRUE...

WHAT?

YOU'VE BEEN STARING AT IT THIS WHOLE TIME

IS THERE SOMETHING WRONG WITH YOUR HAND?

NOT REALLY..

HM.

IT'S NOTHING. .

NO.

TAIRA?

HM?

The three of us

will never again be able to return to how we were before...

continue to next hydra

YOU'RE STAYING OVER, RIGHT?

YEAH...

Achoo!

Not again

POST SCRIPT

Everyone, thanks so much for reading this far! ☆ I'm sorry it's turning out to be such a long story. My plan is to end this with volume 9, so please just be patient for a little while longer. I'd also like to present my website to you, where you'll be able to access more information about Hydra and the other doujinshi, so please go and have a look at it. Just a little longer until the completion of Hydra. I'd be overjoyed if you continued to stick with the story to the very end.

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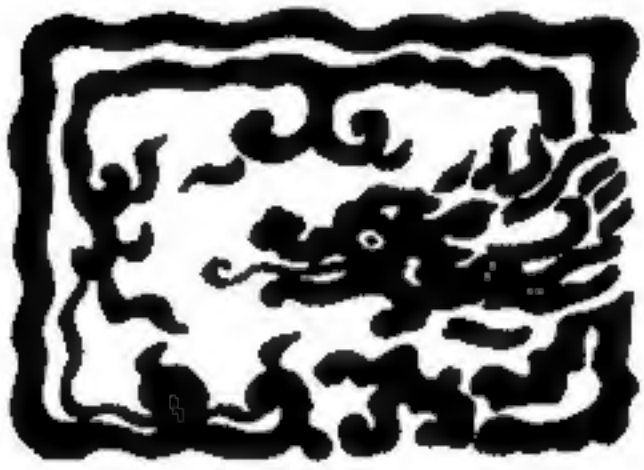

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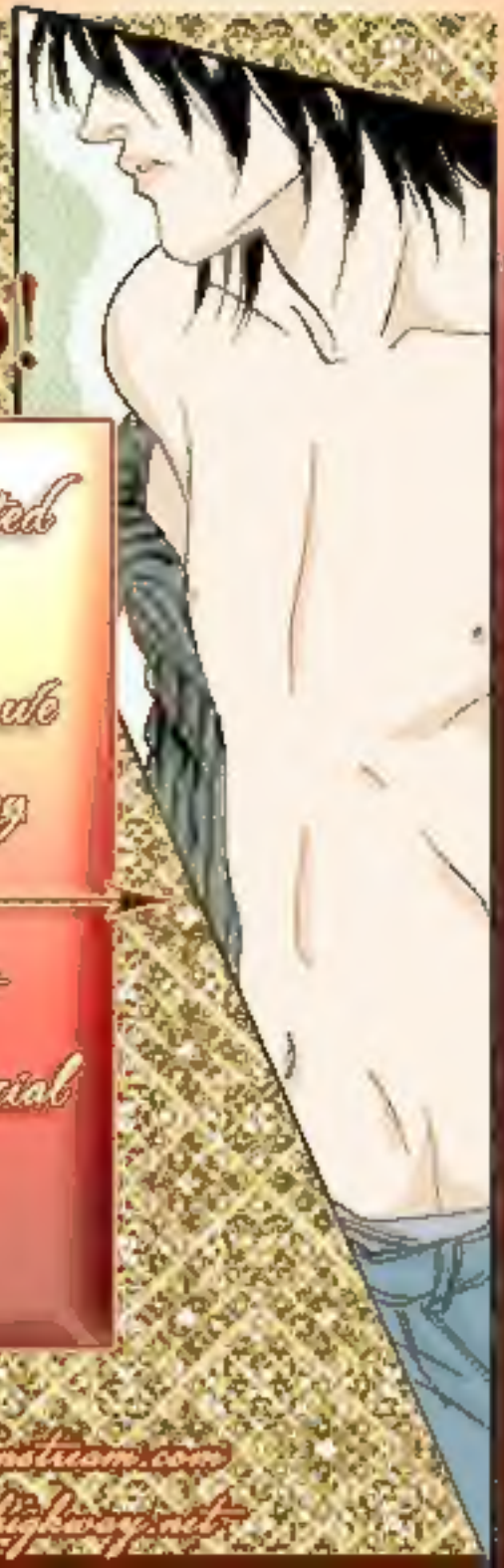

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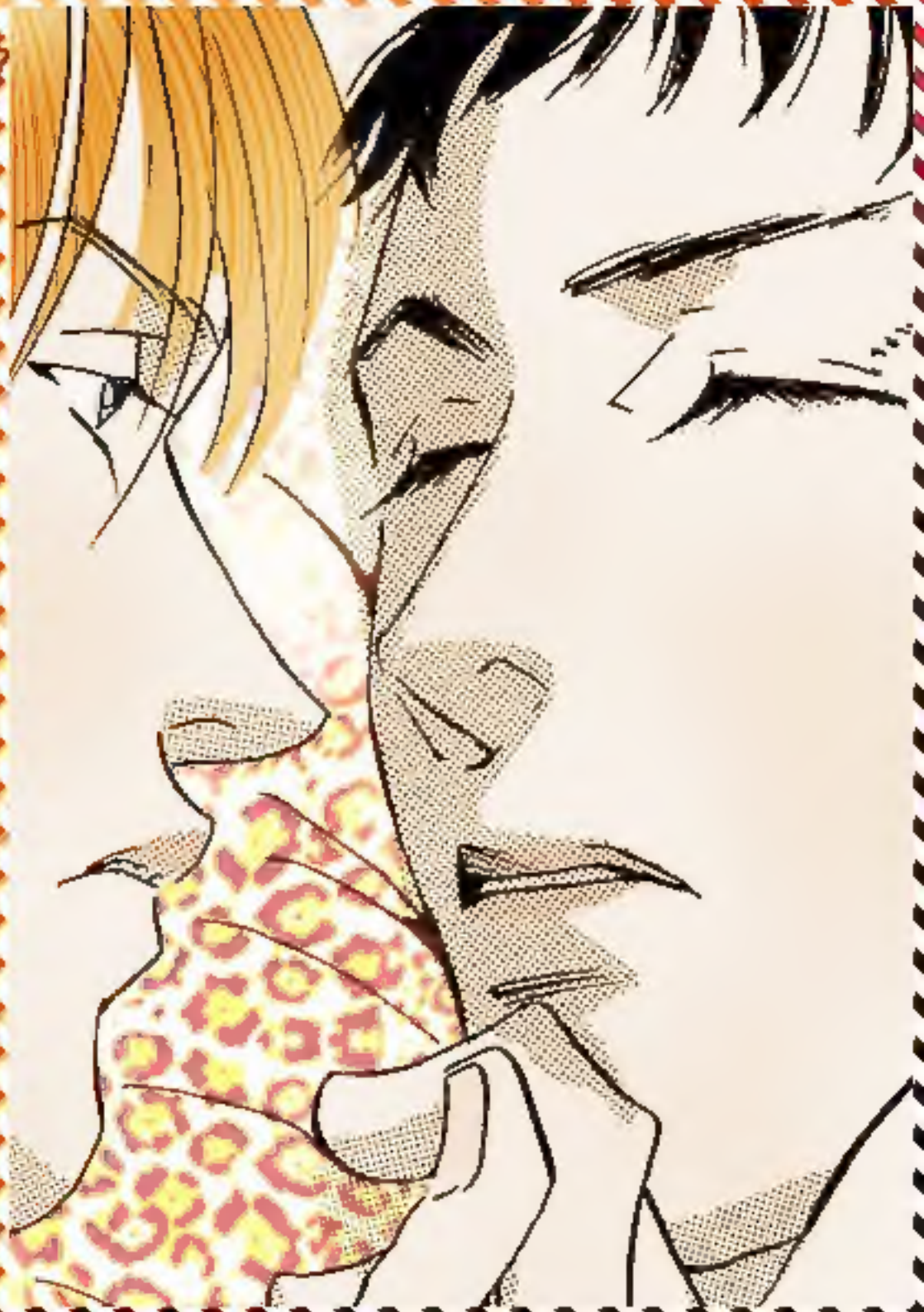

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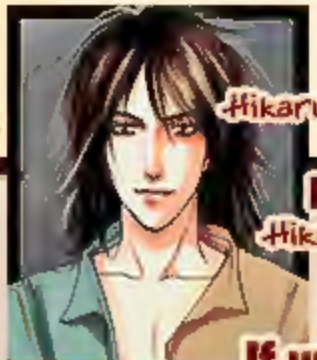

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Hikaru, Atori, Tooru, Yuki

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Hikaru, Atori, Tooru, Yuki, Shige

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